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To: RGV OPS SOSs; RGVOPCEN; RGV Intel PAIC; RGV CPC PAIC; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: (FINAL) RGV SIU ESR: Rapid DNA Testing
Date: Friday, May 10, 2019 7:29:32 AM

Evolving Situation Report
HSI Rapid DNA Pilot
RGV Centralized Processing Center
May 9, 2019, 9:00 a.m.
McAllen, Texas (b) (7)(E)
GPS Coordinates: (b) (7)(E)

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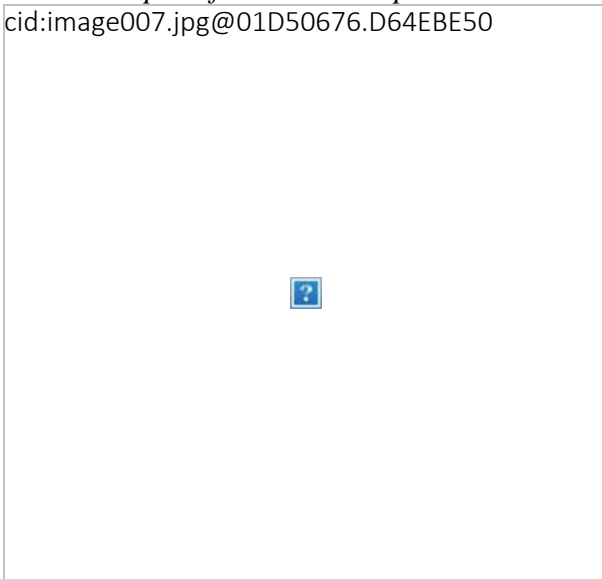
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RGV Sector Intelligence Unit

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Updates to Follow

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: FW: Rapid_DNA_508 (003).pdf
Date: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 2:58:52 PM
Attachments: [Rapid_DNA_508 \(003\).pdf](#)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) has some questions on the Rapid DNA program and testing conducted by CBP Officers. Based on the attachment, she reached out because it indicated CBP Laboratory involvement in the pilot. I referred her to you as the LSSD-HQ DNA POC.

Thank you for any assistance you can provide.

Sincerely,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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• Director LSS-Los Angeles Laboratory
U.S. Customs and Border Protection • Operations Support
O: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) • BB: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 11:40 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Rapid_DNA_508 (003).pdf

Low-cost, rapid family relationship verification

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Science and Technology Directorate's (S&T) Resilient Systems Division is funding a Rapid DNA program, which performs rapid, low-cost, DNA-based family relationship (kinship) verification to improve immigration efficiency for legal kinship applicants, reduce kinship fraud, identify mass casualty victims, provide for family reunifications, and conduct DNA watch list checks.

Field operable by minimally trained users

1. DNA cheek (buccal) swab is taken.
2. The collected sample is inserted into a disposable microfluidic biochip and inserted into an automated, integrated desktop unit.
3. Family relationships are verified by an onboard expert system.

Capability for accelerated DNA analysis while reducing costs

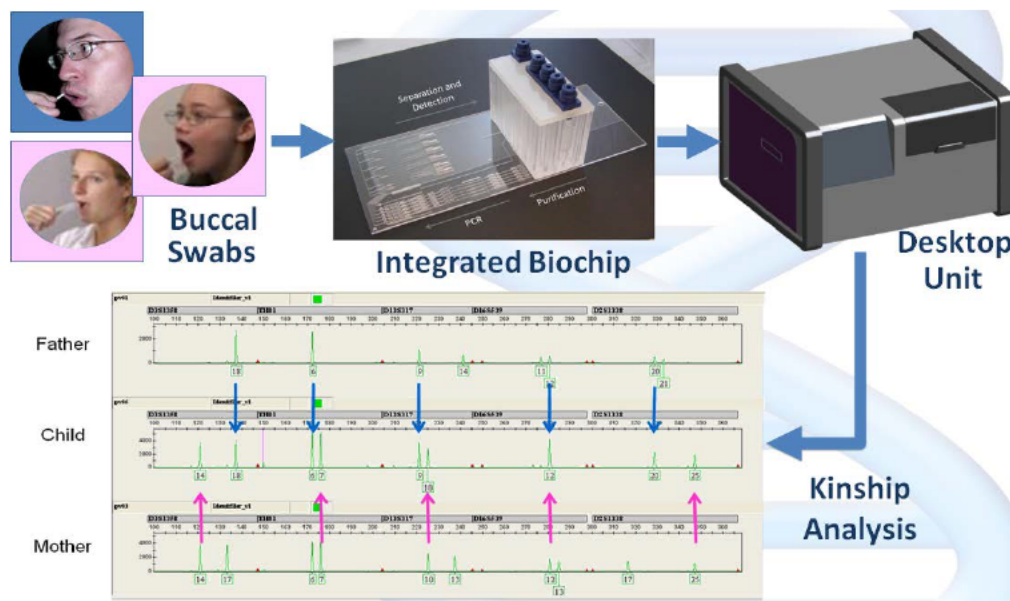
The United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) currently relies on documentary evidence and testimony elicited during interviews to verify family relationships, an approach described as "resource-intensive," "time consuming," and "more art than science" by the USCIS Ombudsman. After conducting a detailed needs and requirements assessment, DHS S&T found that DNA was the only biometric tool that could verify family relationships; however, existing DNA analysis procedures were found to be both costly and time consuming - processing of samples can take weeks and costs up to \$500 per test. DHS S&T initiated a program to integrate and automate the DNA laboratory processes into a ruggedized, transportable, rapid, low-cost system capable of verifying claimed relationships in



about an hour, costing \$100 per sample that is operable by field officers without any laboratory expertise. Additional applications with Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) are being pursued to counter human trafficking, identify mass casualty victims, and to reunite family members.

Program Timeline

- First 5-Sample prototype for USCIS field tests was delivered in early fall of 2012.
- Laboratory evaluation proved performance comparable to existing DNA laboratories in fall of 2013.
- CBP laboratory pilot testing was initiated in summer of 2014.
- Enhanced kinship capability delivered in fall of 2014.
- Pilot testing in overseas refugee camps expected in late 2015.
- Commercial devices delivered in late 2015.



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To learn more about Rapid DNA, contact sandt.rsd@hq.dhs.gov

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: [LOWRY, KIM M](#)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Fwd: Member Engagement
Date: Sunday, June 9, 2019 8:01:58 PM

Kim,

Below is an example of what I send the Secretary. I'm passing it along so you and the OCA team can tailor the updates accordingly. Hopefully it helps make the updates a little easier for you and your team.

Thank,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Tuesday, June 4, 2019 8:08 PM
To: Kevin Mcaleenan - CBP (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b)(6);(b)(7)(C)(b) (6), (b) (7)(C); PEREZ, ROBERT E (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: Member Engagement
Date: Monday, June 10, 2019 6:42:06 AM

Thank you Sir

Sent from my iPhone

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: Re: DEADLINE, WEDNESDAY 4/10: ICE/CBP and Rapid DNA testing technology.
Date: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 9:48:13 PM

Excellent, thank you.

Linda Jacksta

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 4:33:45 PM
To: JACKSTA, LINDA L
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: DEADLINE, WEDNESDAY 4/10: ICE/CBP and Rapid DNA testing technology.

Ms. Jacksta,

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From: JACKSTA, LINDA L (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Sent: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 8:52 AM
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: DEADLINE, WEDNESDAY 4/10: ICE/CBP and Rapid DNA testing technology.

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Best,

LJ

Linda L. Jacksta
(A) Executive Assistant Commissioner
Operations Support
U.S. Customs & Border Protection

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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To: JACKSTA, LINDA L (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Fwd: DEADLINE, WEDNESDAY 4/10: ICE/CBP and Rapid DNA testing technology.

Ma'am -

(b) (5)

(b) (5), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Please let me know what you think. I have added my co-chair on the SILC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) here too.

Best -

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Begin forwarded message:

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Date: April 24, 2019 at 7:34:16 AM EDT

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

"FRIEL, MICHAEL J" (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: FW: DEADLINE, WEDNESDAY 4/10: ICE/CBP and Rapid DNA testing technology.

Good morning!

(b) (5)

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 4:33 PM

To: Media Inquiry <MediaInquiry@HQ.DHS.GOV>

Subject: Re: DEADLINE, WEDNESDAY 4/10: ICE/CBP and Rapid DNA testing technology.

I'd like to follow up on this request. Yuma, Arizona Border Patrol Chief (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

spoke publicly of a "Rapid DNA pilot program" starting at CBP that is "very expensive" and "very limited in scope". This sounds like confirmation that DHS has gone ahead with on-the-spot DNA testing without reviewing any kind of Privacy

Threshold Analysis. I will be publishing a story this week on (b)(6);(b)(7)(C) comments as well as last week's report by DHS security counsel, which recommended allowing biometric information to be taken from children younger than 14 years of age.

I'd appreciate if DHS could weigh in on the use of its technology, its "very expensive" cost, its "very limited scope", and the process through which it's been approved, which, as I said, appears to have not included a review of a Privacy Threshold Analysis.

Thank you very much.

On Thu, Apr 11, 2019 at 1:06 PM (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) wrote:

Hello. I wanted to quickly circle back here. Would a spokesperson or DHS official be able to answer my questions?

On Mon, Apr 8, 2019 at 12:56 PM (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) wrote:

Hello,

My name is (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). I'm a reporter with The American Prospect. I'm reaching out because I'd like to ask whether DHS is currently in the process of considering or deploying "on-the-spot" DNA testing technology.

"On-the-spot" DNA testing is possible through portable sample-to-answer DNA machines. One such machine, DNAScan/ANDE, was approved for FBI use last year, but other manufacturers include RapidHIT System (IntergenX) and Portable DNA Analyzer (NEC).

Has DHS reviewed at any time a Privacy Threshold Analysis for the utilization of any of these machines by DHS field agents, including ICE and CBP officers? Is the department currently in the process of doing so?

If a PTA for such practices has already been reviewed by DHS, what sort of determination has the department made regarding the necessity of a Privacy Impact Assessment?

My deadline is somewhat stringent -- if you could respond by the end of the day Wednesday, April 10, that would be great.

Thank you and have a great day.

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Writing Fellow

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Proposed Bill on Collecting Biometrics form Alien Minors
Date: Wednesday, June 5, 2019 4:20:50 PM

Hello (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

The authority to collect biometrics for arriving and departing aliens is found under [8 CFR 215.8](#) and [8 CFR 235.1\(f\)](#), but there are age issues unless there is a crime or administrative issue.

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Director, Tactical Operations
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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, June 3, 2019 2:50 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Fwd: Proposed Bill on Collecting Biometrics form Alien Minors

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, June 3, 2019 12:04:41 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Monday, June 3, 2019 11:44 AM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Good morning,

(b) (5)

Thank you,

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Subject: RE: Proposed Bill on Collecting Biometrics form Alien Minors

Good morning all,

(b) (5), (b) (7)(E)

Thanks,

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Subject: RE: Proposed Bill on Collecting Biometrics form Alien Minors

Hi,

My suggestion would be to have (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) craft a list of questions for OCC input.

Please let me know your thoughts.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Branch Chief

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Hi all,

Thanks for being on the call today (b) (5)

I appreciate it!

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Direct Line: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Good afternoon BP, OFO, and OCC,

Staff of Sen. Mike Lee, who sits on the Senate Judiciary Committee, have asked for CBP's review of the attached/below amendment. They would also like a call on Wednesday to discuss any of CBP's comments.

(b) (5), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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Direct Line: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6)

Sent: Monday, May 13, 2019 1:58 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Proposed Bill on Collecting Biometrics form Alien Minors

Hi (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

As we discussed, attached is a copy of the bill we are working on to clarify CBP's authority to collect biometric data from aliens younger than 14 at the border. If possible, it would be great to receive technical assistance from CBP on how the bill is drafted and whether any changes need to be made. Please let me know when it would be possible to schedule a call.

Thanks in advance.

Best regards,

(b) (6)

Counsel to Sen. Mike Lee

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy, and Consumer Rights

(b) (6)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [RGV OPS SOSs](#); (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Cc: [RGV Intel PAIC](#)
Subject: RE: Rapid DNA Testing
Date: Wednesday, May 8, 2019 5:56:24 PM

All,

My understanding is that there will be a DHS media crew accompanying this group. They plan to film what is occurring. Since it is DHS, we will allow them to film however please ensure they are only filming their desired target and not throughout the CPC.

Call me with any questions.

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Division Chief
RGV-LEOPD

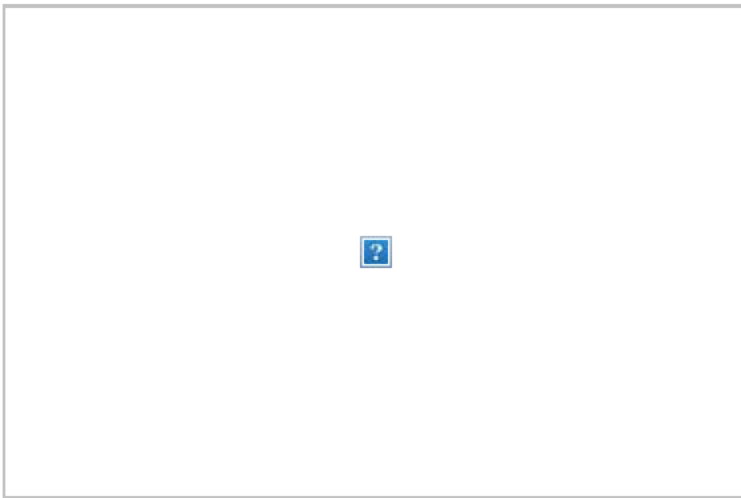
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Subject: Rapid DNA Testing

Good Afternoon,

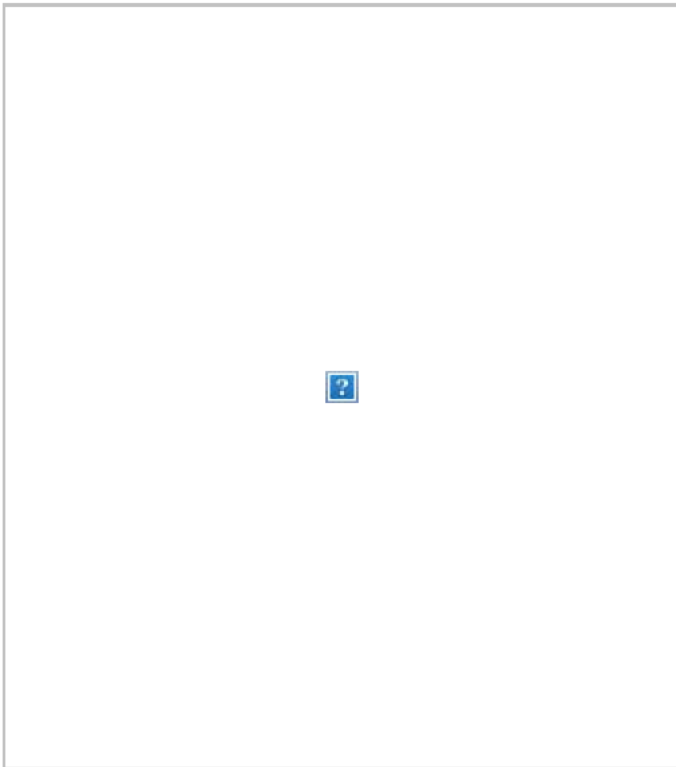
Just want to keep everyone looped in on what is being planned regarding the rapid DNA testing scheduled for tomorrow. The HSI team and contractor for the rapid DNA technology (ANDE Corporation) are currently traveling from El Paso, TX and scheduled to arrive in the RGV later this evening (7:00 pm). The team is traveling in and will work out of a self-sustained mobile RV (see photo). The RV is similar to the mobile blood donation vehicles.

The team has supplies (test chips) and capability to conduct approximately 50 tests. This will be a one-day pilot scheduled to start tomorrow at 7:00 am until complete (approx. 7:00 pm).

Photo of ANDE Corp. mobile vehicle



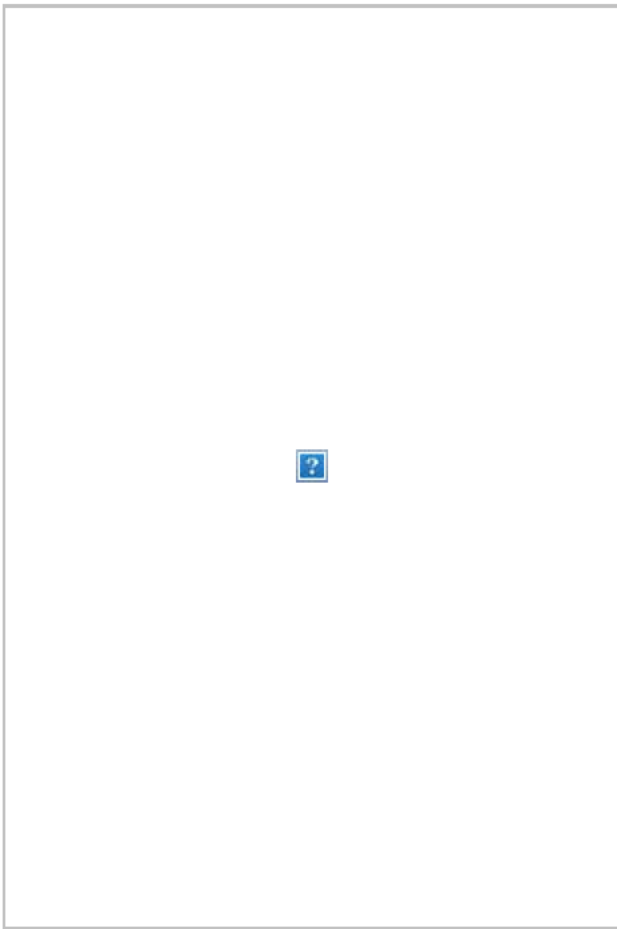
The mobile vehicle will be positioned on the east-side entrance of the (b) (7)(E). The plan is to conduct the swabbing of individuals in the sally port area where tables will be set up to fill out consent forms and tracking documents. The technicians will then walk the swab kits to the mobile vehicle for processing. At no time will the aliens be outside of the (b) (7)(E) holding area and/or sally port.



Earlier today, the testing materials were received and are currently being stored in (b) (7)(E). Special thanks to the **CPC management and administrative teams** for their assistance today in planning and coordination.

Boxes of test chips for the DNA pilot. Currently stored
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Thanks again and we'll keep everyone updated regarding the testing procedures and outputs.

v/r

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

*Special Operations Supervisor – Intelligence
RGV Sector Intelligence Unit*

(O) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Subject: RE: Rapid DNA use by CBP
Date: Thursday, October 31, 2019 10:36:00 AM

I think the message was cut off...

Right now – CBP is not using Rapid DNA.

ICE is doing a pilot – they’ve contracted with Bode to do the effort.

(b) (5)

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From: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2019 4:53 PM

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Fwd: Rapid DNA use by CBP

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Any chance you can assist here?

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Begin forwarded message:

From: (b) (6)

Date: October 30, 2019 at 16:29:00 EDT

To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Subject: Rapid DNA use by CBP

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To: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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Cc: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C); [FLANAGAN, PATRICK S](#);
Subject: Tomorrow's 10am DNA call
Date: Thursday, March 1, 2018 3:33:50 PM

Good afternoon, everyone! I hope you're all enjoying your day.

I wanted to connect in advance of tomorrow's 10am DNA call with S1's office, DHS Policy, ICE, and USCIS. Some of you joined OI's CBP circle up last week as well.

- **DHS's Purpose for Tomorrow:** A broad DHS-wide policy discussion on DNA collection and to provide status updates on all DNA collection efforts, programs or pilots.
 - We believe CBP's role will be to describe current effort(s) and then participate in the broader dialogue.
- **CBP Efforts:** It's my understanding that Rapid DNA within USBP is the only DNA-collected related effort, concept, plan, initiative, or activity (etc) currently being worked within CBP. **If there is anything else out there within CBP, if you would please raise the flag asap.** OI, I fully expect DHS will want to discuss your previous initiative.

(b) (5)

- **CBP Attendees:** Below. You should all have the calendar invitation, but please let (b)(6);(b)(7)(C) (from CBP Policy) know if not. Very much appreciate everyone's participation.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss, please don't hesitate to reach out!

Thank you again,

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